Testimony on H.B. No. 5415

An Act Concerning the Air Line State Park Trail

Submitted to the Environment Committee

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I am in favor of this bill. Connecticut has an opportunity here to continue its leadership position on trail-making, land preservation, and sound environmental policy. In my experience, the longer a trail is and the more it connects, the more people use it. Getting people outdoors and exercising is good for them and good for the state: it reduces health care costs. Additionally, if trails make the right connections they can be used literally to get from one place to another, thus fewer car miles are driven. And these trails are attractive to tourists as well which is good for our economy.

Please support this legislation.

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